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Appeal No: 2009-006300
Appellant: D. Navin Chandra, Dexter R. Pratt, Eric K.
Application No: Neumann, Keith O. Elliston, Justin Sun, Ted M.
Hearing Room: Slater et al.
Hearing Docket: 10/644,582
Hearing Date: A
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	Chandra et al, Dundee Navin
Serial Number	10/644,582
Filing Date:	August 20, 2003
Art Unit:	2166
Examiner:	Pham, Khanh B.
Confirmation No:	5207
For:	System, method and apparatus for assembling and mining life science data

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MISCELLANEOUS INCOMING LETTER

The undersigned is new counsel of record. A Response to Notice of Hearing Confirmation is submitted herewith. Hearing attendance is being waived.

The Applicants are now in the process of preparing a request for continued examination (RCE) to re-open prosecution in this case. The undersigned expects to submit that RCE and preliminary amendment by no later than ten (10) days from now, or by December 28, 2009. Accordingly, the Board is requested to refrain from rendering any Decision on this appeal so that the RCE and accompanying paperwork can be filed and prosecution re-opened. The request for continued examination will moot the current appeal.

Respectfully submitted,
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